

tion before any election held in said town, by giving thirty days' notice thereof at ten public places in said town.

SEC. 7. The registrar and judges of election, before entering upon the discharge of any of their duties, shall take the oath prescribed by article six, section four of the constitution of North Carolina, before some justice of the peace of Robeson county or mayor of said town, and in case of the absence of one of the inspectors his place shall be forthwith supplied by the registrar.

Oath of registrar, &c.

Vacancies.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the registrar and judges of election to attend at the polling place in said town with the registration book on the Monday preceding the election from the hour of nine o'clock a. m. until the hour of five o'clock p. m., when and where the said book shall be opened to the inspection of the electors of the said town, and any of the electors shall be allowed to object to the name of any person appearing in said book. In case of any such objection, the registrar shall enter upon his book opposite the name of the person so objected to the word "challenged," and shall appoint a time and place on or before the election day when he, together with said judges of election, shall hear and decide said objection, giving due notice to the voter so objected to: *Provided*, that nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the right of any elector to challenge or object to the name of any person registering or offering to register at any time other than that above specified. If any person challenged or objected to shall be found not duly qualified as provided for in this charter, his name shall be erased from the registration book, and he shall not be allowed to vote at any election held in said town for municipal purposes.

Revision of registration book.

Proviso.

SEC. 9. *Be it further enacted*, That on the day of election the inspectors shall give due attendance at the time and place, shall be judges at the polls, receive the votes and conduct the election in like manner and during the same hours of the day as elections for members of the general assembly. The voter shall designate on his ballot the person for whom he votes as mayor, and the persons for whom he votes as commissioners.

Election, how conducted.

Ballots.

SEC. 10. *Be it further enacted*, At the close of the election the votes shall be counted by the inspectors, and such person voted for as mayor having the largest number of votes shall be duly declared elected mayor, and such persons voted for as commissioners having the largest number of votes shall be declared elected commissioners, and the mayor and commissioners shall be notified of their election by the inspectors within five days from the day of election.

Canvass of votes, &c.

Notice to persons elected.

SEC. 11. If among the number voted for either as mayor or commissioner, two or more may have an equal number of votes, and either would be duly elected but for the equal votes, or if upon any question voted upon, both sides of the same shall have an equal number of votes, and either would be duly carried under the election but

Tie vote, how determined.